

**Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council  
November 13, 2007  
MacKenzie River Pizza, Belgrade, MT**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 6:36pm by President, Kelley Phipps.

**ROLL CALL:** Council members present were Kelley Phipps, Brenda Townsend, Laura Lee Harvey, Leia Miller, Todd Kesner, Sammie Cheney, Ginny Francis, Betsy Heckel, Chris Phipps, and Scott Francis. Guests present were Karin Ludeman and Sonja Berg.

**SECRETARY'S REPORTS:** Betsy moved, seconded by Brenda, that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Ginny moved, seconded by Brenda, that the Treasurer's Report be approved as written. Motion carried.

**GUEST PRESENTATIONS:**

- State Leaders Forum - Karin Ludeman: The Forum was held in Havre and the theme was Boundless Horizons. There were 45 new leaders in attendance. Classes Karin took were Telling the Story, Impact and Influence, and Self-Esteem. Karin had a great time and was thankful to have gone.
- 4-H Foundation - Karin Ludeman: Martha Clowman of Ennis is the new Administrative Assistant. Karin reports a planning meeting took place this past weekend in Billings, and that she has been asked to serve on the Board of Directors. As soon as the Foundations has finished re-organizing, then County Representatives will be trained.
- Ambassador Training - Sammie Cheney: Sammie Cheney thanked the Council for sending her and her mom, Kathy, to Ambassador Training. Training was held at the Fairmont Hot Springs. Sammie met many new teens and had a great time. Some of the workshops included Being a Better Ambassador, Community Involvement, Fundraising, and How to Write Thank You Notes.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Sonja formally thanked the Council for her award.

**COMMITTEE AND LEADER REPORTS:**

- Bar J Wranglers: Scott and Ginny report that the major sponsorships have been taken care of, and that the contract has been signed and returned. There will be ads run in the Bozeman and Belgrade Chronicle, XL Country, as well as ABC, CBS, NBC, and PBS. Tickets will go on sale November 23, 2007. Large Gallatin County 4-H Banners have been requested, as well as ushers. Approximately 12 ushers will be needed, ages 12 and older. Usher attire will be showmanship clothes, and an optional hat. The ushers will display the 4-H logo. How that is to be done will be determined.
- Coupon Cards: Todd reports we are losing money on the Coupon Cards. All 4-H leaders need to push these harder with their kids. Ginny moved, seconded by Brenda, that we give away a 4-H T-Shirt for each child that sells three Coupon Cards. A grant is to be written to the Gallatin 4-H Foundation for reimbursement for the T-Shirts to keep us from losing more money on the Coupon Cards. Motion carried. It was requested a voided copy of the Coupon Card and the information about the T-Shirt incentive be posted in the newsletter.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- 4-H Awards Point System: Ginny presented the information she had gathered on how other places do a point system for annual 4-H Awards.
- Checking Account and Bookkeeper Clarification: Todd reports it is ok for Kelley to continue being the Bookkeeper. Kelley is doing a good job. Having the Bookkeeping outside of 4-H has been problematic in the past as they do not have the drive as someone within 4-H.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Election of Officers: Betsy moved, seconded by Laura Lee, to accept Scott Francis to the Board of Directors. Motion

carried. There are still two vacancies.

- Bar J Wrangler Sponsorship Tickets: The Chronicle has asked for four free tickets in return for their sponsorship. Sponsorships will be in increments of \$100.00, \$250.00, and \$500.00 and up. Brenda moved, seconded by Ginny, that sponsorships of \$250.00 receive two free tickets, and sponsorships of \$500.00 and up receive four free tickets. There will be reserved seating with name tents on the chairs as a way to thank those sponsors. Motion carried.
- 2007 – 2008 Budget: Todd went back over the changes to the budget. Laura Lee moved, seconded by Brenda to approve the budget as presented. Motion carried.
- 4-H Fair Planning/Marketing Committee: Betsy presented the idea of having our own Fair Planning Committee so that we can be more organized at Fair, and have a greater 4-H presence. Brenda moved, seconded by Leia, to form a committee. Meeting would be the second Monday of the month at 6:30 pm, in Manhattan with location to be determined. Members would be Ginny Francis, Laura Lee Harvey, Kelley Phipps, Leia Miller, Betsy Heckel, and tentatively Tammy Wise. Motion carried. It was requested this be put in the newsletter.
- Strategic Plan: Todd would like to get moving on the Strategic Plan. Committee members are Betsy Heckel, Kelley Phipps, Brenda Townsend, Ginny Francis, and tentatively Karin Ludeman. The first meeting will be November 27, 2007 during lunch. Exact place and time are to be determined. It was requested this be put in the newsletter.
- Lego's Robotics Project Funding: The new leader is Greg Switzer who has a PhD in Physics. Greg purchased three kits out of his pocket. The kits cost \$250.00 each, and each kit will serve two members. Greg has found laptops the kids can use for the project. One of the kits Greg would like to keep for himself to use after the kids are done using it. Brenda moved, seconded by Chris, to reimburse Greg \$500.00 for two kits out of Project Materials after a receipt from Greg is received. A grant is to be written to the Gallatin 4-H Foundation to reimburse 4-H the \$500.00. Motion carried.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- December 10, 2007 ~ Horse Committee Meeting
- December 11, 2007 ~ Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council Meeting
- January 24, 2008 ~ Gallatin 4-H Foundation Winter Meeting
- March 06-09, 2008 WRLF 2008 in Boise, ID <http://www.4h.uidaho.edu/wrlf/>
- April 04-06, 2008 ~ Rec Lab in Billings, MT
- September 28, 2008 ~ State Leaders Forum in Great Falls, MT

**ADJOURNED:** Brenda moved, seconded by Laura Lee, to adjourn at 8:25 pm.

Secretary: Leia Miller/klp